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25X1 1. [] and I met with William Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, whom we briefed on recent developments regarding the Soviet ABM system, Soviet naval maneuvers in the Mediterranean and the Middle East military situation, including SA-3 deployment in Egypt.

Woodruff said Senator Russell was still in the hospital and his release was uncertain. Woodruff expects Senator Ellender to chair Appropriations Committee hearings during Russell's absence. Woodruff also remarked that Senator Mundt's return to active work on the Hill was unlikely.

Left with Woodruff the latest Reserve withdrawal letter on Laos.

25X1 2. [] and I called on Senator Milton Young whom we briefed on recent developments regarding the Soviet ABM, Soviet naval activities in the Mediterranean, the Middle East situation and Southeast Asia.

25X1 3. [] I met with Ed Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee, whom I briefed on the Soviet ABM situation, Soviet naval activity in the Mediterranean, the Middle East situation and Southeast Asia. Braswell indicated that the upcoming phase of the ABM debate would be at least as complicated, and the outcome as uncertain, as was the case last year.

25X1 4. [] Called Representative Bob Wilson to say the Director would be happy to receive members of the "SOS" and "CM" clubs at breakfast at 0800 on Wednesday, 8 April. Mr. Wilson said the attendance would probably be about 16 or 20 and asked that I call Representative Barber Conable who is in charge of the arrangements to firm up details.

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